

REMARKS

Reconsideration and the timely allowance of the pending claims, in view of the following remarks, are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-7, 10-21, 24-35 and 38-42 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Tso et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,047,327, "Tso"). Claims 8-9, 22-23 and 36-37 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Tso in view of Angelucci, et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,185,573, "Angelucci"). Claims 1, 6-8, 15, 21-23, 29, and 34-37 are being amended. No new matter has been introduced.

With regard to the rejection of claims 1-7, 10-21, 24-35, and 38-42 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b), Applicants have amended independent claims 1, 15, and 29 to recite that the "geographic location of interest to the user" are "present and at least one past geographic location of interest to the user."

Tso teaches a communications system for distributing electronic information to a targeted group of users. The communications system uses filters to filter information based on a user profile, current location and time of day, and transmits the filtered information to subscribers desiring the filtered information (Abstract and col. 1, lines 48-52). The user profile "indicates areas of interest of the user and can be dynamically adjusted based on user feedback" (Col. 1, lines 50-52). The system is generally utilized to send advertising information filtered for a particular user as defined by the user profile. However, Tso does not teach a user or geographic profile of the user having "present and at least one past geographic location of interest to the user," as now recited in amended independent claims 1, 15 and 29. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the

rejection of claims 1, 15 and 29 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) be withdrawn. Claims 2-7, 10-14, 16-21, 24-28, 30-35, and 38-42, which depend from amended independent claims 1, 15 and 29, should be allowable for at least the same reasons.

With regard to the rejection of claims 8-9, 22-23, and 36-37 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Tso in view of Angelucci, Angelucci does not teach Applicants' amended claimed invention. Angelucci is directed to a system for integrated storage and dynamic selective retrieval of text, audio, and video data (Title). Angelucci's system may be used for a number of applications, including employment, real estate, and athletic scouting. A fill-out form 300 (Fig. 3a) is provided to enable a user to enter information related to an application, including street address, state, and zip code. However, Angelucci does not overcome the shortcomings of Tso as Angelucci does not teach "present and at least one past geographic location of interest to the user" as part of a geographic profile of the user. Furthermore, the combination of Tso and Angelucci does not teach or suggest Applicants' amended claimed invention as recited in independent claims 1, 15 and 29. Accordingly, applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claims 8-9, 22-23 and 36-37 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) be withdrawn as these claims depend from independent claims 1, 19, and 29, respectively.

Accordingly, the claims are believed to be in form for allowance, and such an action is hereby requested. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, please telephone the undersigned at the number below.

CONCLUSION

Based on the amendments to the independent claims and for the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and favorable action. If the Examiner feels a telephone conference or an interview would advance prosecution of this Application in any manner, the undersigned attorney for Applicants stands ready to conduct such a conference at the convenience of the Examiner.

Applicants believe no fees are due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0709 of Patton Boggs, L.L.P.

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